PROFESSOR HIGGINS SAVES THE WORLD
PART ONE
by MALCOLM

LONDON 1965....On a hot summer afternoon, Ursualla the Hungarian usherette finishes her pie and mash and leaves the staff canteen at the BRITISH MUSEUM...
URSULA takes an elevator to the ground floor and walks past the cobbled streets of jolly old England, to the front entrance.
There awaits her another group of people assembled together for a 10 shilling tour.
A young Japanese with a NIKON taps her on the shoulder..
PEARLY WHITE HELLO ...
URSULA.... Hi how are we today, I'm your camp leader and if you follow me I'll give you the English speaking tour. We'll start with Queen Victoria and then on to the South of England, through Roman Britain and then to china.
PEARLY WHITE.. W h y old china in the British museum ?
URSULA BECAUSE the Irish beaker people broke all the china .
PEARLY WHITE ARR SOOO ?
The crowd follows her through the large double doors--[BACK IN

TIME]
They're shown down a mock up of an English street complete with plastic rag and bone men...
URSULA This is a replica of TOTTERS LANE recreated after the redevelopment plan of 63, that amalgamated SHOREDITCH with OIL DRUM LANE, SHEPH E RDS BUSH ..
PEARLY WHITE Was that important for LONDON?..
URSULA...TOTTENHAM played QUEENS PARK RANGER in FA cup final I963.
PEARLY WHITE.....Why we have scrap yard ...
URSULA.....Gives you something to waist silver nitrate on you slitty eyed monster ...
PEARLY WHITE writes something down on a clipboard before taking a photo of URSULA.
A fter leading her party through ROMAN BRITAIN explaining about the last ROMAN senator of ENGLAND'S court at CHELMSFORD , they leave ODIOUS MAXIMUS'S domain and move on to ancient China.
They cross a lime green central plaza of polished plastic linoleum with a high arch roof of glass.....
URSUALLA Now we come to the Chinese section and we don't mean ROYAL DALTON or ANTONY WEDGWOOD BEN. So that is the end of the tour ladies and gentlemen and if there are no more interruptions I'll bid you adieu. Have a happy time at the British museum, and enjoy yourselves , but don't get lost or I'll call the PEELERS on you .....
PEARLY WHITE....What is PEELERS?
URSULA ....I don't know but you wouldn't want them served up with onions now scatter....
As the crowd disperses from ANCIENT-LONDON-EXHIBITION ,some to ST-PAULS-CATHEDRAL, and others to wash rooms on ground floor, leaving two mature men in top hat and tails in the CHINESE-SECTION....
COLONEL PICKERING.....NICE GIRL THAT URSULA .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS .....Chestnut brown hair,cream blouse, offset with a lime green pastel cardigan, your quiet right old boy .

They walk past a display case of ancient artifacts from the famous SCARMAN EXPEDITION TO A TIBETA N MOUNTAIN REGION .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS I could swear that vase has an inscription on it ? ....Could it be a circuit diagram.?
COLONEL PICKERING Shall I take a photograph?
PROFESSOR HIGGINS.....I'll have a word with the curator and see if I can get a print from this ancient Ming vase .
COLONEL PICKERING.....HE MIGHT LET YOU BORROW IT FOR STUDY, MY DEAR FELLOW .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS And then you're invited back to my flat in Mayfair...
COLONEL PICKERING....When we see Audrey off tomorrow I'm all you're my boy, though we'd better catch up with that delightful girl showing us around this museum..

PROFESSOR HIGGINS.....Or she'll have our guts for garters.....
They walk briskly past display cases of AFRICAN-FERTILITY-ART...and along the maroon marble floor to a wide stairwell,then down one level to the ancient civilisations of LONDON and make a bee-line for the managers suit of rooms next to the roman columns at the front entrance.
The next day the two friends emerge from LEICESTER-SQUARE-THEATRE t o a cheering crowd signing copies of PYGMALION and then showing ELIZA-DOOLITTLE into her waiting hansom.
ELISA DOOLITTLE..... What are you little maniacs up two?...
PROFESSOR HIGGINS The quiet life for me Audrey,
COLONEL PICKERIN G I'm going to retire and raise begonias.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS LOVELY FLOWERS BEGONIAS .
ELISA DOOLITTLE..... DRIVE-ON-CABBIE
PROFESSOR HIGGINS In the meantime it's a couple of pints in the OLD MAQUE DE CARABAS , and back to my flat in MAYFAIR . He offers PICKERING an extra strong mint and they stroll to TOTTENHAM COURT RD towards NELSON'S COLU MN , past the NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY, towards PALL MALL, then join a group of sedate customers waiting at a taxi rank . Soon a MORRIS MINOR arrives and takes them through the mid morning traffic ,up the STRAND towards WATERLOO BRIDGE where they disembark near the SAVOY, cross the road and walk past the LYCEUM THEATRE and up to the towering edifice of the MARQUIS DE CARABAS public house .
There is a healthy trade of business people and they walk through the frosted glass and over a FLEAU-DE-LIS shag pile carpet and install themselves in an alcove.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS I've had progress on that other matter we were discussing yesterday.
COLONEL PICKERING You can spill the beans when I come back from the washroom .
He walks across an aquamarine FLEAU-DE-LIS shag pile carpet and takes a right down stairs adorned with prints from variety theatres on oak panelled walls , leading down to an o ak panel ed basement and the Washrooms . When PICKERING gets back from the Washrooms h e walks across an aquamarine FLEUR-DE-LIS shag pile carpet and to the alcove seats next to a window of frosted glass .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS I asked the curat or to give me a photograph of the inscription on that ming vase and he took it out of the display case and lent it to me . I took it in my workshop .

COLONEL PICKERING And you manage to create a working prototype for a time machine?
PROFESSOR HIGGINS Using transistors, solenoids and valves .And if these travel belts that I've made work then we could embark on the greatest adventure of our entire lives .
PICKERING I COULD DO WITH SOME OLD FASHIONED ADVENTURE, IN A CHARCOAL GREY BUSINESS SUIT .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS I want to stop WW2 from happening .
COLONEL PICKERING Do you think that will stop the Nazi aggression then JON.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS If this equipment works.
COLONEL PICKERING You can't change established history .
pPROFESSOR HIGGINS....The worst that could happen is the bloody inscription on that ming vase
doesn't turn out to be a time machine and we are left with egg on our face.
COLONEL PICKERING.....Tell Winston to change his name to Harvey Smith and make peace with JERRY ? I have the will to try .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS Harvey Smith,the secret name of Churchill.
COLONEL PICKERING..... I'm with you but how could that stop the German invasion of POLAND and the disaster of DUNKIRK .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS..... I'll tell him to get with the Tobacco producers of Virginia .
COLONEL PICKERING...HOLD HARD.Sell yourself to a vacuum cleaner and they'll hang the pair of us.
MALCOLM ,A CITY GENT,comes through the frosted glass doors and over the aquamarine FLEUR-DE-LIS shag pile carpet and to the alcove seats next to a window of frosted glass .
COLONEL PICKERING My school chum here wants to change the world .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS TINKER, just right a few wrongs .
MALCOLM And you can alter established history .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS If I can talk to HARVEY SMITH, I'LL GET VIRGINIAN TOBACCO with his name and family crest on, direct to the Germans .
COLONEL PICKERING And before you say jack robinson it will be peace in our time.
MALCOLM It's a devilishly good idea, old man and worth a go.
COLONEL PICKERING.....Especially if we put a cartoon Winnie on

the cover.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS If we can prevent the terrible war then by jingo we have to try. From my flat we can get to WESTMINSTER and see my old member of parliament.
MALCOLM He has the ear of THE DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH .
PICKERING As in Winston ?
COLONEL PICKERING Either that or you'll be wading up to your armpits in BLOOD.
MALCOLM What'S THE PLAN ?
PROFESSOR HIGGINS And we can tell him to seize control before the rise of German nationalism .
malcolm LET'S GO .
COLONEL PICKERING MALCOLM, ask that barmaid to call us a cab .
MALCOL M b ounds over the AQUAMARINE FLEUR DE LIS shag pile carpet to the bar, as GWENDALIN is pulling a pint of best and ROGER is unloading plates near a dumb waiter.[ORDER HIGGINS TAXI LOVE]
They make it back to John's MAYFAIR APARTMENT BLOCK, and through a revolving glass door and over a blue and pink carpet to a red and white elevator with china ducks fixed to lime green vinyl silk walls.
They get to the tenth floor and walk along a maroon carpet ed hall to HIGGIN'S flat .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS You know I was sent a print this morning of that inscription on the vase, and started tinkering with wires , and solenoids, and transistors.
COLONEL PICKERING well my boy they don't brew the best soups in the highlands for nothing now let me in,
MALCOLM I'm dying to see how you two live.
They enter the dark flat and turn the hall light on,and WOUSER, a dalmation comes bounding up to his master with a bone in his mouth.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS WOUSER my dear fellow how are you. These are my friends who came to pay us a visit.
COLONEL PICKERING H elp me out of these top coat and tails .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS Come on into the living room .
They walk up the corridor and open the door to the brightly lit room with a blue and pink carpet and red and white ceiling . There are crushed velvet green walls , a bookcase next to the door with a

welsh dresser opposite, displaying medals and army miniatures . By the window overlooking HYDE PARK CORNER is a large gramophone record player .
MALCOLM Alright for some isn't it JON .
COLONEL PICKERING NOT BAD .
MALCOLM Do excuse me i'll have to love you and leave you,
COLONEL PICKERING What you got planned .
MALCOLM Got to buy some socks and take muma to the vets .
COLONEL PICKERING The vets .
MALCOLM WITH HENRY, THE GINGER CAT .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS I'D BETTER SHOW YOU THE RESULTS OF MY EXPERIMENT .
PICKERING follows HIGGINS to his study ,dominated by a black and decker work bench , a long chemistry table with cyclotron , test tubes and a MICROSCOPE .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS You set the dial for the day, month and year you want and then press a button on the belt buckle.
COLONEL PICKERING S uppose we land slap bang in the middle of a group of German paratroopers hell bent on storming buck palace.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS First we put these belts I've made up on and set the dials to 1935,then I go to my cellar and open a bottle of vintage champagne .
They walk out of HIGGINS apartment building into the morning sunlight where a large stack of sandbags can be seen next to a sentry post.
COLONEL PICKERING Let's take a hansom to Whitehall and see my MP Mr Chumley Warner and then walk back to the old MARQUIS DE CARABAS .
HIGGINS offers PICKERING an EXTRA STRONG MINT and they walk across MARBLE ARCH to HYDE PARK corner, and wait with sedate customers at a taxi rank by the front entrance to the royal park . Soon there at the head of the que and a MORRIS MINOR stops adjacent to the iron gates, and the two intrepid time traveler's clamber in .
COLONEL PICKERING PARLIAMENT SQUARE driver .
The cab drives from MAYFAIR along HYDE GARDENS and then left at VICTORIA, then along past MOSS-THE CHEMISTS and QUEENS-PARK-HOSPITAL.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS I said we would have beaten Jerry if we

had advised Winston at BLENHEIM PALACE before the balloon had gone up.
COLONEL PICKERING And if your Peer isn't in the upper house then I was on speaking terms with my MP Mr Chummley Warner and he could get us in to see the Duke.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS This would be PARK LANE 1935 BY THE LOOK OF HYDE park corner over there, and Jerry hasn't infiltrated our mother load yet.
The MORRIS MINOR stops in front of JAN SMUTS and DAVID-LOYD-GEORGE ,they clamber out of the back of the cab, pay the driver, and walk across parliament square , then to the front of WESTMINSTER and walk straight up to the policeman standing outside.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS We have an important meeting with THE DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH set for 3 pm young man.
The police officer stops from stroking a ginger cat and examines a clipboard .
PC PRESCOT You're not on my list Sir .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS Good god man, , just give my card to my MP and he'll vouch for us, I have vital information for the war office
They enter PARLIAMENT and make a bee line for the wool sack.They make their way to the drawing room and Knock at the large oak doors, wait ten minutes then barge in.
The Cabinet is in session next door and WINSTON CHURCHILL is reading the times colour supplement with a double action centerfold of VERA LIN near a conservatory annex with a view of the garden .
HIGGINS and PICKERING walk over purposely and take the chairs opposite
HIGGINS WINSTON it will be war with GERMANY if you don't take our advice .
COLONEL PICKERING I f you don't run for office and call the general election Chamberlin will sell us out.
WINSTON W hat makes you think a war is coming and who are you.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS We are a couple of GERMAN SPIES old man now listen up and listen good.
./He tried telling them they won't believe you
COLONEL PICKERING War with GERMANY is going to be devastating for this country
PROFESSOR HIGGINS We will stand alone against German aggression while occupied France is collaborating and

Spain signs a non-aggression pact .
PICKERING What my friend is trying to say is that it's devastating for England .
HIGGINS loss of life Messy pants, some screaming and buildings destroyed .
PICKERING central London was bombarded during the battle of Britain
HIGGINS It was only that Marshall Montgomery decided to black out a lot of London that ,this building and BUCKINGHAM PALACE, was saved from a German bomb .
PICKERING At the end of the war Britain needed to rebuild its infrastructure and the only people they could turn to were Europeans who collaborated with the Germans .
PICKERING America lent this country over 40 million dollars to buy raw materials from the Europeans who collaborated and aided the German air force to destroy our great nation .
HIGGINS I myself as a wing commander in the RAF signing peace negotiations in BERLIN was late back to England , my discharge delayed till late in 1945 .When I got home at I found my wife in the arms of Texas Bradford a young Texan and b52 airline pilot .I never remarried and have been a bachelor for all these years .
CHURCHILL That London Times paper I believe is genuine dated 5th of June 1965 and I'm willing to believe that your time travelers .
HIGGINS These are prototype travel builts which I tested last night and went back to my home in the countryside and knocked on the door in 1955 only to find TEXUS BRADFORD has had three children with my wife PATRICIA .
CHURCHILL Your estate lost because you where in BERIN
HIGGINS If we can stop I can reclaim my marriage and those children will be mine Tom Gracie and Steven .
CHURCHILL You want me to talk to Adolf Hitler .
PICKERING Or the swastika will be the replaceable Union Jack .
CHURCHILL And what my friend is a swastika
Pickering walk out of the patio door and across the paving tiles to a sand pit, next to a wooden fence separating westminster from the THAMES, and uses his silver-topped cain to draw a symbol
PICKERING If you do nothing that swastika will replace the Union Jack .

HIGGINS Get hold of President hoover now and ask for the finest Virginian tobacco and have it shipped over here.
COLONEL PICKERING We'll repackage it and put your name and a cartoon image of you.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS You'll change your name to Harvey smith and run for office.
COLONEL PICKERING The crouts will annex AUSTRIA two years latter, but don't let that phase you. Stand firm and when you get back from meeting Hitler you can declare PEACE IN OUR TIME, after offering free tobacco to every German citizen.
CHURCHILL To prevent a war I'll even talk to HARROLD HOOVER himself and get the fags delivered strait to BLENHAM PALACE, and then over to BERLIN on the next ferry.
COLONEL PICKERING That's the ticket my friend how about another brandy.
CHURCHILL Help yourself , the cabinet is in session discussing repealing the corn laws for the umpteenth time. You can pour me one and we'll have a good drink before they get here.
HARVEY SMITH escorts the two friends out of parliament building and says goodbye at the huge stone archway
HARVEY SMITH I'll nip over to Whitehall this evening and change my name by deed pole, and then get cabinet approval to import the smokes from our colonial cousin Mr hoover.
COLONEL PICKERING That's the ticket old man, glad to see the duke can still through a stick about what.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS about what.
CHURCHILL You still able to walk back to your apartment JOHN.
COLONEL PICKERING it's only in MAYFAIR and I'll keep him vertical.
CHURCHILL Well my dear fellow its been a pleasure and I'll have a look at PIGMALION .
HIGGINS Or wait for the cinema release,in 1965, MY FAIR LADY .
PICKERING this is 1935 we haven't been here for a while remember, though I take your point we won't pass this way again for 30 years so taxi.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS time for one more in the old marquee before bed time.
He waves for a passing hansom cab and they alight and ask for the pub.
The two friends say hello to the guard as they enter HIGGINS

apartment block and up to his rooms.
HIGGINS Evening Charles it's been a glorious day my good fellow.
COLONEL PICKERING It's not your scots guard JOHN were still backward in time now get in the lift and give me your keys.
They get to his front door without trouble and walk directly into the living room, walking past the welsh dresser and knocking off a WEDGEWOOD VASE. ...
The ming vase wobbles on the far side threatening to topple over .
HIGGINS Remind me to return that vase to the BRITISH MUSEUM or that nice girl Ursula will have my guts for garters .
COLONEL PICKERING and the curator who lent it to you, lets get back to 1965 now while we can stand
or I'll be late for my train tomorrow.
HIGGINS I'LL GO GET THIS COLOURED DYE OUT OF MY HAIR FIRST, filthy stuff
COLONEL PICKERING Lead on to the lab and lets get these time travel belts on .
The next day they greet a sunny day in June 1965.....
HIGGINS Before you catch your train I want to see if established history has changed.
MALCOLM O r if we should learn German .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS The best place would be the British museum.
COLONEL PICKERING That's how we started this adventure and I must admit to a curiosity.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS Maybe that nice curator can show us when he takes this sculpture back.
COLONEL PICKERING OR that girl URSULLA .
He clutches the priceless ming vase in both hands while HIGGINS hails a cab
When they get to the site of the british museum low and behold it's the CHARLES DARWIN RESEARCH CENTRE.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS What the dickens .
A paper boy shouts extra extra read all about it, .
PROFESSOR HIGGINS Go grab a paper man .
MALCOLM looks at the frot page of the LONDON EVENING TIMES .
[NEW RABBIES SCARE THREATENS TO SWEEP THE COUNTRY]
COLONEL PICKERING Good grief it's worse than I thought.

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